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LIGHT THAT FAILS TO ENLIGHTEN

Territory is Reimbursed on the Alva School Furniture Deal

Treasurer Thompson today received from S. B. Share & Bro. a draft for \$177.98, covering the amount, with interest, received on a duplicated account rendered for supplies for the Alva Normal school. Accompanying the draft is a letter of explanation which reads:

Alva, Okla., Sept. 25, 1901.
Hon. Frank M. Thompson, Territorial Treasurer, Guthrie, Okla.:

Sir—Enclosed find New York draft for \$177.98, which amount we desire placed to the credit of the Northwestern Territorial Normal school, to pay warrant No. 3448, drawn July 1st, 1901, for \$175.35, with interest to date, \$2.63, total, \$177.98.

That there may be no misunderstanding as to why we cover this amount of money into the territorial treasury, we desire to say that January 2d, 1901, we rendered two accounts to the board of education for the Normal schools of Oklahoma; one for \$44.40 for supplies for the Northwestern Territorial Normal for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1900, and one for \$175.35 for furniture for the model school room. Both of these accounts are now on file in the territorial auditor's office and an examination will show that after the bills were sworn to by S. B. Share and turned over for collection, that some one, unknown to us, in a different handwriting consolidated the two accounts, adding the items and amount of the larger account to the smaller one. The records show that this consolidated account was allowed and a warrant issued for the same which was received for by President James E. Ament. This warrant was sold by Mr. Ament and on January 19th, Mr. Ament gave us a check for the full amount of the proceeds of said warrant.

It is a years by the records that on July 1st, 1901, without our knowledge, the original bill for furniture dated January 2d, 1901, for \$175.35 was again before the board of education and was again allowed. Another warrant No. 3448 for \$175.35 was issued for this account on July 1st, and Mr. Ament received for the same. On July 3d, Mr. Ament brought us a check for the proceeds of several warrants that he had sold for us including the proceeds of warrant No. 3448. We told Mr. Ament that the \$175.35 item was certainly a mistake and that we had no record or knowledge that such an amount was due us from the territory. Mr. Ament said that it was for a bill of furniture for the model school room and that he believed it had not been previously paid. We accepted the money for warrant No. 3448 with the understanding that the matter would be investigated and if it was found that two warrants had been issued for the same account that the amount of warrant No. 3448 would be returned to the territorial treasurer.

We have investigated the matter fully and find that through some error, for which we are in no way responsible, two warrants have been issued to us on the account we rendered January 2d, for \$175.35. We do not know who is responsible for this error but certainly no one tried to profit by it as the money for both warrants was returned to us in full.

President Ament needs no defense from us, but as an effort has been made to throw the blame for this error on him we desire to say that Mr. Ament has taken every account we have had against the territory to the meetings of the board of education and has been at all times authorized by us to receipt for and sell the warrants. He has sold every warrant issued by the territorial auditor in our favor and has returned to us every dollar of the proceeds and has not asked or received directly or indirectly any pay for his services or any benefits from any account that we have ever rendered against the territory of Oklahoma. We have delayed the return of this money in an effort

to trace and recover warrant No. 3448 that we might return the same to the territorial auditor for cancellation, but we have been unable to locate the warrant, as you will see by the enclosed letter from M. L. Turner. Respectfully,
S. B. Share & Bro.

COTTON SECTION BULLETIN.

Stations of Oklahoma.		
	Max. tem.	Rain-fall.
Chandler	92	00
Mangum, missing.		
Oklahoma	88	00
Shawnee	92	00
Stillwater	90	00
Weatherford	93	00

Stations of Indian Territory.		
	Max. tem.	Rain-fall.
Ardmore	93	00
Durant	93	00
Holdenville	91	00
Marlow	92	00
Muskogee	94	00

District Averages.		
	Max. tem.	Rain-fall.
Atlanta	78	00
Augusta	78	00
Charleston	80	00
Galveston	88	.12
Little Rock	88	00
Memphis	84	00
Mobile	82	00
Montgomery	80	00
New Orleans	86	00
Savannah	82	.02
Vicksburg	84	00
Wilmington	78	T.
Oklahoma	78	00

Excessive Precipitation.		
	Inches.	
San Antonio, Texas	2.24	

Remarks.
Moderate to high temperatures with generally fair weather prevailed throughout the cotton belt during the past twenty-four hours.

Chas. M. Strong, Sec. Dir.

BRITISH LOSE HOPE.

Look Upon the Columbia as the Fastest Boat.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Sept. 27.—The failure of the yachts to cover the course in time to constitute a race has created general disappointment in Great Britain but chagrin at the apparent poor showing of Shamrock II. overshadows all other expressions of feeling. The great suburban population of London says kept advised of the progress of events by pyrotechnics at the Alexandra and Crystal palaces on the north and south sides of the city.

Steam launches patrolling the Thames from London bridge to Westminster also served to keep the eager multitude in touch with the contest. Thousands of persons gathered at these places. The sporting clubs announced a very small amount of wagers.

King Edward displayed great interest and was kept posted as to every movement of the yachts.

The morning papers express the keenest disappointment. The Times, Daily Mail, Daily Graphic, Morning Post and Standard, all contend that the weather conditions were too fluky to justify any verdict on the ultimate performance; but even these journals admit that the Shamrock's performance was very disappointing.

The other papers virtually abandon hope.

The Daily Telegraph says: "If ever there was a moral victory it was gained by the Columbia and Captain Barr."

The Daily Graphic regards the Columbia as a "phenomenal boat."

CITY HALL PLANS ARE ACCEPTED

But Mayor Still Withholds His Approval—Reder Suspended

At last night's meeting of the city council the most important happenings were the acceptance of the Foucart plans for the new city hall and the suspension of Alderman Reder as a member of the city council.

It was currently reported after the meeting that Mayor Ball would refuse to sign the contract for the Foucart plans and this report was based on an alleged remark made by the mayor several days ago that he would never permit the acceptance of the Foucart plans.

This morning when seen by a Leader reporter Mayor Ball refused to declare whether or not he would abide by the majority vote of the council in accepting the Foucart plans, intimating that he would wait until the outcome of Monday's meeting before announcing his final stand.

The mayor still insists that the Foucart plans are not so good as other plans submitted; that the proposed building is not so commodious and less slightly and will cost not less than \$5,000 more than the amount appropriated.

Concerning the suspension of Alderman Reder, Mayor Ball said this morning that he had two affidavits setting forth that Reder had solicited money in connection with the building plans, but he refused to furnish copies, saying that he would produce them in court in the event his right to suspend a member of the council is tested.

The vote by which the Foucart plans were adopted was 5 to 4. Voting in the affirmative were, Lillie, Saunders, Wolf, Perkins and Nichols; in the negative, Green, Houston, Newman and Bowden. It was arranged that the final contract should be submitted at a special meeting of the council Monday afternoon.

A petition from W. H. Frost of Ft. Scott, Kas., for a franchise for a gas plant was considered and on motion referred to the committee on public improvement.

A petition from several tax payers in block 53, complaining of the residence of lewd women in buildings fronting on West Harrison was received and the chief of police ordered to abate the nuisance.

The local lodge of Elks, on petition, were granted the use of the streets and alleys during carnival week and the revenue derived from licenses and sale of street privileges.

City Engineer White made an extended report on the experiment wells drilled near the water works and in Island park. Mr. White reports that in his opinion, a sufficient water supply can be obtained from three wells, each twenty feet in diameter, without detriment to the old well and bids will be advertised for the drilling of these wells.

The water committee reported that there was now plenty of water, there being eighty feet of water in the stand pipe.

An ordinance, providing for the appointment of a board to condemn the site for the city hall was then read by sections and adopted. It provides for a board of five, two of whom will be named by Mayor Ball, two by T. P. McKennon, administrator of the McKennon estate, and the fifth member by the other four.

The business men of the city are manifesting great interest in the carnival. All the representative firms of the city will be represented in the trades' parade.

Ringling Brothers' grand military band is the best traveling musical organization in America. There are fifty solo musicians in the band and concerts are given twice daily in the great hippodrome tent, prior to the performance, under the direction of Prof. Ganweiler.

During the absence of his wife in the north this summer, W. A. Jackson gained eight pounds. We say this is not showing proper respect.

CZOLGOSZ'S NERVE BREAKS DOWN

Within the Prison Walls the Assassin Collapses Entirely

[By Associated Press.]

Auburn, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Czolgosz, President McKinley's murderer, in the custody of Sheriff Caldwell and twenty-one deputies arrived at Auburn at 3:15 o'clock this morning.

Czolgosz's nerves gave out and the deputy sheriffs were compelled practically to carry the man into the prison. Inside the gate his condition became worse and he was dragged up stairs and into the man hall. He was placed in a sitting posture while the handcuffs were being removed, but fell over and moaned and groaned, evincing the most abject terror.

The prison physician examined the man and ordered his removal to a cell in the condemned row which he will occupy until taken to the electric chair.

The collapse of the murderer was a surprise. Enroute he showed no indication of breaking down. He talked some and expressed regret for his crime. He said:

"I am especially sorry for Mrs. McKinley."

MURDERER IDENTIFIED.

Slayer of Young Beem Blossom Under Arrest at Ardmore.

Special to Daily Leader.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 27.—Dr. Z. E. Beem Blossom has returned from Ardmore where he went to identify the man held there who is accused of being one of the men who held up Dr. Beem Blossom and two other men and killed the doctor's 12-year-old son. The man in the jail was positively identified by Dr. Beem Blossom and a dozen others as the man who has been helping to do so much of the robbing down in the new country. The doctor says that this is the man who went through their pockets and took their money while the other fellows covered them with their guns.

The man who is held in the jail is about 32 years old and goes under the name of George Moran. He was arrested on the charge of robbery and his bond fixed at \$5,000, but he will now be held on the charge of murder without bond. He is a United States prisoner and will be tried at El Reno. The country was not yet opened for settlement when the crime was committed.

The story of the crime for which Moran is held is as follows:

On the fourth day of August last, Dr. Beem Blossom, his son, Jay, Prof. Easley and Harry Derbyshire, were riding along some six or seven miles west of Rush Springs, I. T., when they were suddenly confronted by three highwaymen who demanded their money or their lives. When the members of the party were commanded to throw up their hands one of the robbers opened fire aiming his shot at Harry Derbyshire. The ball passed through the clothing of Derbyshire and struck Jay Beem Blossom, the ball entering the spine and coming out near the nipple, severing some of the arteries, from the effect of which he died. The robbers then relieved Prof. Easley of \$35 in cash and secured about the same of Derbyshire. They also took a gold watch, a ring and a pistol. They then left in the direction of Lawton. Some two weeks ago Deputy Madsen located one of the robbers in the person of Moran about four miles from Silo, near Durant, and effected his arrest. The marshal found very little on the defendant but took him to his home where he found in his trunk false whiskers, two six-shooters and a Winchester. He was running under an assumed name, but afterwards admitted that his name was Moran and that some time ago he broke jail at Atoka.

Eight billposters left the city this morning with advertising material for the Elks' carnival.

Patterson Bros. are preparing a unique float for the carnival trades' display.

SCHLEY REFUSED TO OBEY ORDERS

According to the Testimony of Partisan Ship Commanders

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, D. C., Sept. 27.—Today's session of the Schley court began with the recall of Captain Wise to make verbal changes in the official copy of his testimony. He altered his previous statement concerning the order of the navy department on May 29, in which he was directed to "inform every vessel off Santiago that the flying squadron is off Cienfuegos," saying that he desired to correct his response to the inquiry as to why this order was not carried out, by stating it had been carried out. "The flying squadron was ordered to proceed with all possible dispatch," he said, and added: "I did not desire to inform the commodore of the flying squadron of his own movements. My order was to inform the commanders of the movements of the flying squadron."

The court asked: "Did you direct Sigbee to give Schley the information contained in the dispatch from the navy department regarding the whereabouts of the Spanish squadron?"

"I did not," Lieut. Spencer S. Wood, who commanded the dispatch boat Dupont during the Spanish war was then called and continued the testimony begun yesterday. He said Capt Harbour was wrong in his statement that there were no picket boats at Cienfuegos. The Dupont was there.

By the court: "Could you see the Texas from the Dupont during the nights of May 22 and 23?"

"No, sir." Mr. Hanna asked what steps had been taken while the flying squadron was off Cienfuegos to ascertain if the Spanish fleet was inside the harbor there.

"None that I know of." "Was any effort made to destroy the shore batteries there?" The witness replied he knew of none. He said, replying to another question by Rayner, that vessels inside the harbor could not have been discerned from the outside.

He was then dismissed.

Carried Dispatches to Schley.

Lieut. John Hood, who during the war commanded the Hawk, was the next witness. He said on May 23 he had delivered dispatches from Sampson to Schley, while the latter was off Cienfuegos. Instructions were contained in the memorandum handed him by Sampson to be delivered to Schley which were read to him.

The witness then read the dispatch from Sampson to Schley of May 21 telling the latter that the Spanish squadron was probably at Santiago. He also read the Brooklyn's receipt memorandum, showing this dispatch, as well as the accompanying memorandum had been received at 8:15 a. m., May 23.

The witness identified these as the orders he had carried. Had also carried two other envelopes, one containing orders from the department, and the other a memorandum which had not been read to him.

"Schley read the dispatches and turning to me, said: 'Captain. Admiral Sampson wishes me to go to Santiago. I can not do it.'"

"I told Schley that the admiral certainly expected the squadron to leave the instant I arrived. Schley then said in nearly these words: 'I'm not at all satisfied that the Spaniards are not here in Cienfuegos.'"

"Besides, his ships all wanted coal; that the Massachusetts, Texas and Brooklyn wanted so many tons; that the day before Sampson had sent him down the Iowa with only half her coal supply, so that she could not go any where; that it was useless to send ships there only half filled with coal. The Iowa had passed a little before daylight that morning and it certainly ought to be there within two or three hours. He referred again to

his belief of the Spanish being in Cienfuegos as he stated there had been some firing which he took to be a welcome to the Spanish squadron. He had also seen some smoke which he conceived to be from the Spanish squadron and believed they were there. I said from the information which the admiral had considered definite he had no doubt that the Spanish squadron was at Santiago. Schley said: 'Captain, Sampson does not understand; he is not on the spot and can not judge.'"

This afternoon Judge Advocate Lemley read a letter from Admiral Sampson asking that Stayton & Campbell be allowed to represent him in the case. The court refused the request and adjourned for lunch.

SHE WOULDN'T BE SPANKED.

Lost Her Job as a Result, and Now She Will Sue for Damages.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Sept. 27.—Miss B. Agnes Lane was asked to submit to a spanking on the stage, just to live up to the first act of "Don Caesar de Bazan". Miss Lane declined to be spanked, so her engagement to play Maritana in a "Don Caesar" road company was canceled and now she has asked her lawyers to sue Edwin Rostell for the amount she invested in costumes to be used in the play. Miss Lane played minor parts last season in the Bernhardt Coquelin company.

"I was hired as a leading woman," said Miss Lane, "and after the rehearsals were all over I was told that I was not smart enough to suit some mythical person referred to by the manager as the financial backer of the company. I never could find out who the backer was. Mr. Rostell told me that he was delighted with my acting, but that the gentleman with the money was not satisfied. He wanted Don Caesar to take me across his knee and spank me. When I refused he said I would have to quit the company. The mysterious and nameless backer with money wanted to spoil that beautiful tableau at the end of the first act by having me in a short skirt stretched across a man's knee and getting spanked just for 'jumping up and saying: 'What's that,' when they fired the guns.'"

TODAY'S MARKETS.

[By Associated Press.]

Kansas City—Live Stock.

Cattle, 6,000; steady; native steers, 5.00@6.30; cows and heifers, 2.60@3.50; stockers and feeders, 2.70@4.25; bulls, 2.25@4.00.
Hogs, 7,000; stronger; heavy, 7.00@7.10; packers, 6.75@7.00; medium, 6.70@7.00; light, 6.25@6.55.
Sheep, 100; steady; muttons, 2.75@3.20; lambs, 2.50@4.70.

Kansas City—Grain.

Wheat—Sept., 64½; Dec., 66½; May, 70½; cash No. 2 hard, 65½@66; No. 2 red, 70½.
Corn—Sept., 60½; Dec., 58½@59½; May, 59@59½; cash No. 2 mixed, 57½@58½; No. 2 white, 59½@60½.
Oats—No. 2 white, 38.
Rye—No. 2, 57.
Hay—Choice timothy, 14.50@15.00; choice prairie, 12.50.
Butter—Creamery, 16½@19; dairies fancy, 14@16.
Eggs—Fresh, 15.
Receipts of wheat, 57 cars.

CARNIVAL QUEEN CONTEST.

In the Carnival Queen contest the vote today stands as follows:

Miss Beaulieu Graves	103
Miss Olive Quinby	99
Miss Blanche Robare	58
Miss Anna Bodenheimer	55
Miss Myrtle Black	50
Miss Pearl Hutchinson	54
Miss Lila Briggs	51
Miss Amy Brooks	51
Miss Mabel Painter	35
Miss Lillian Boles	31